REMARKS

Applicants thankfully acknowledge the Examiners withdrawal of the Election Requirement imposed in the 10/03/2007 Office Action.

Applicants are grateful to the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 5, 6, 11-15 and 22.

Claim 1 is amended to more particularly point that the electrical switch circuit includes a first, second, and third terminal (22, 24, 26 as shown in Figs. 1 and 2) and the terminals are electrically coupled to the first and second electrical devices, as originally disclosed in claim 2, now canceled.

The dependencies of claims 3 and 4 are amended following the cancellation of the intervening claim.

Claim Rejection based on Nagata et al.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over United States Patent 6,831,528 to Nagata et al.

Nagata et al. shows an electrical switch comprising multiple electrical devices and stacked substrates. As acknowledged in the Office Action, Nagata et al. fails to disclose or suggest a first terminal coupled to a first substrate and electrically coupled to a first electrical device, a second terminal coupled to the first substrate and a second substrate and electrically coupled to the first electrical device and a second electrical device, a third terminal coupled to the second and third substrates and electrically coupled to the second electrical device. Claim 1 is amended to more particularly point out that the electrical switch circuit includes a first, second, and third terminal having these features. In view of this, the reference does not teach or suggest Applicants' apparatus in claim 1.

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Conclusion

Claims 3-21 were objected to as dependent upon a rejected base claim. In view of the amendments and remarks herein, it is believed that the base claim is now allowable. Accordingly, it is requested that the objection be withdrawn, and that all claims be allowed.

If it would further prosecution of the application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned at the phone number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0831.

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